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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY INC. PERMIT APPEAL,  
EPA ID No. CAT 000 625 137

Dear Mr. Canney:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has received the enclosed petition for review (the Petition) of DTSC's final decision issued on June 30, 2007 for renewal of the permit (the Permit) for the Southern California Gas Company hazardous waste storage and treatment facility in Pico Rivera California (the Facility). The Petition was filed on July 30, 2007 by Ms. Henrietta Correa Salazar and Ms. Carlina M. Gomez (the Petitioners).

This letter confirms that pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 22, section 66271.14, subdivision (b)(2), the effect of the proposed Permit is stayed until DTSC has completed its preliminary review of the Petition and has determined, which, if any, of the issues raised in the Petition meet the criteria set forth in California Code of Regulations, title 22, section 66271.18 for granting review. This also confirms that the Facility's previous permit issued in 1996 will remain in effect until further notice from DTSC.

In the near future, DTSC will issue an order that will grant and/or deny review of issues raised in the Petition. If this first order denies review of any issues raised in the Petition, then the first order will be the final decision on those issues. If DTSC grants review of certain issues in the first order, DTSC will subsequently establish a briefing schedule for those issues.

After the briefing period closes, DTSC will consider the information that was submitted and issue a second order concerning those issues. The first order will also announce whether the preliminary stay of certain conditions in the Permit can be lifted, or whether

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the stay of the entire Permit must remain in place pending the outcome of a briefing period.

Because I have been appointed to review and render a decision on the Petition, I must remain neutral in the process. Therefore, I am unable to communicate about the substance of the Permit and the Petition with any parties. You and the Petitioners may, however, continue to communicate with DTSC staff about the the previous or the proposed Permit and/or the Permit appeal process.

For questions or substantive information about current permit requirements and/or the proposed new Permit, please feel free to contact Mr. William Jeffers in our Glendale office at (818) 551-2185 and [wjeffers@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:wjeffers@dtsc.ca.gov) or his supervisor Mr. Allan Plaza at (818) 551-2922 and [aplaza@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:aplaza@dtsc.ca.gov). If you have any questions or require additional information about the Permit appeal process and procedures, you should contact Ms. Ann Carberry of DTSC at (916) 322-and [acarberr@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:acarberr@dtsc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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